

## Gasoline

Take to the Story Mill Convenience Station (582-3200). Very small quantities (less than a quart) can be brushed on a board or mixed with floor dry in a well ventilated area and allowed to evaporate.

## Herbicides and Pesticides

For household use, buy only what you need and apply following product instructions. Using more than directed is not better, and can contaminate water resources. Disposal options for unwanted product:

- Small quantities: Story Mill Convenience Station, Bozeman 582-3200
- Large quantities: MT Dept. of Agriculture Pesticide Collection Program (406) 444-5400

## Mineral spirits and Thinners

If you have a small amount, brush onto a board in a well-ventilated area and let evaporate; dispose of board in trash. If useable, give to a relative, friend or neighbor. Take to Story Mill Convenience Station (582-300 for appointment).

## Paint

**Oil base paint (mineral spirit cleanup)**— (1) Give useable paint to friends or neighbors who can use it. (2) Take unwanted paint to the Story Mill Convenience Station (582-3200). (3) Small amounts can be painted on a board and allowed to dry. (4) Avoid buying oil-base paint in the future.

**Latex paint (water-based cleanup)**— Disposal options: 1) Take useable paint to the Annual Latex Paint Swap held last Saturday in June. For more info call Bozeman Recycling Coalition at 586-7671. (2) Give useable paint to someone to use. (3) If the paint is not good, dry it out using an absorbent such as kitty litter or floor dry and put in trash. (4) Paint newspapers or a board, once dry, dispose of in trash.

For updates and changes to this list, contact the  
Gallatin Local Water Quality District  
582-3148 or 582-3145

## Pharmaceuticals

Do not flush unused medications down the drain/toilet or dispose of in the trash. Take these products to the Story Mill Convenience Station. Call 582-3200 for a drop-off appointment time.

## Photographic chemicals

If you are connected to a municipal sewer most photographic chemicals can be flushed down the drain followed by lots of water. **DO NOT** flush **selenium toners or solvents**. Fixers may be flushed down the drain only after silver recovery. If you are on a septic system, DO NOT flush any photographic chemicals down the drain. Take to Story Mill Convenience Station. 582-3200

## Rechargeable batteries (nickel cadmium, nickel metal hydride)

Take to any of the following locations:

- Owenhouse Ace Hardware 587-5401
- Radio Shack, 2855 N. 19th Ave, Bozeman 587-1613
- Belgrade Electronics, 203 W. Madison Ave 388-1902
- Batteries Plus, 502 Professional Dr, Bozeman 994-0044

## Used motor oil, oil filters

- City of Bozeman, City Shops Complex, 814 N. Bozeman Ave (5 gallon limit/person, Bozeman residents only, No businesses) Hours: 8-5, M-F 582-3200
- Speedy Lube, 483 N. 7th Ave. 586-2303
- Wal-Mart, Tire & Lube Express, N. 7th Ave. 585-8642



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*Helping the residents of the Gallatin Valley protect, preserve  
and improve our surface water and ground water resources.  
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# Disposal Options for Household Hazardous Waste & E-Waste in the Gallatin Valley



**Do your part!  
Help protect  
Gallatin County's  
water resources!**

**Gallatin Local Water Quality District**

# Disposal Options

## STORAGE AND HANDLING

Properly labeling and storing hazardous chemicals is a good idea for general household safety. Store in a cool, dry location away from children and pets until you are ready to properly dispose. For questions or more information about proper HHW disposal, call the Gallatin Local Water Quality District at (406) 582-3148 or 582-3145.

## STORY MILL CONVENIENCE STATION

Located at the City of Bozeman Landfill site. Takes most HHW from City of Bozeman and County residents at no charge. Accepted materials include most products listed in this brochure. Materials are taken by appointment only and a registration form must be completed prior to drop-off. For more information call 582-3200 or go to [www.bozeman.net](http://www.bozeman.net).

## HIGH RISK HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

The following products pose an extremely high risk of contaminating our ground water and surface water if not disposed of properly.

### Mercury (thermometers, thermostats, liquid)

NEVER dispose of down the drain or in the trash! For proper disposal contact:

- Gallatin Co Environmental Health at 582-3120
- Montana State Univ-Bozeman at 994-3572

### Fluorescent bulbs

These contain mercury. NEVER break or dispose of in the trash! Contact one of the following companies for proper disposal information:

- Owenhouse Ace Hardware, 2 locations in Bozeman. 587-5401
- Crescent Electric Supply Co, 1701 Evergreen Dr, Bozeman 586-4545

### PCBs or PCB ballasts (polychlorinated biphenyls)

PCBs are oily liquids or solids and are colorless to light yellow with no smell or taste. Used in the manufacturing industry, this group of synthetic organic chemicals can cause a number of harmful health effects. Production of PCBs ceased in 1977. However, older transformers, old fluorescent light fixtures, old TVs and refrigerators, and old hydraulic oil may contain PCBs if they were made before PCB production stopped. NEVER dispose of down the drain or in the trash!

For proper disposal contact:

- Montana State University-Bozeman 994-3572

### Chlorinated solvents

(brake cleaners, spot removers, degreasers, etc.)

Chlorinated solvents are petrochemicals that have been chemically altered and are not found anywhere in nature. These substances are extremely toxic, even at low concentrations. Chlorine makes the solvent more stable. That stability means the substance is slow to break down into non-toxic components when it is discarded. Due to high toxicity and persistence in the environment, chlorinated solvents have a high potential to contaminate water supplies. NEVER dispose of down the drain or in the trash! Avoid buying or using products containing "chloro-" in the name (trichloroethylene, perchloroethylene, etc.). Use non-chlorinated solvents instead.

For proper disposal of chlorinated solvents take to:

- Story Mill Convenience Station, Bozeman 582-3200

### Electronic waste (computers, TVs, PDAs, etc.)

These contain lead, cadmium, mercury and other heavy metals and should never be disposed of in the trash! One monitor can contain up to 8 pounds of lead. Even LCD monitors contain heavy metals.

Most computer manufacturers (Dell, Apple, Gateway, etc.) have take-back programs for your old computer. You can also take e-waste to one of these retailers for proper disposal. There will be a fee.

- Office Depot, 1475 N 19th Ave, Bozeman 586-7129
- Staples (2 locations in Bozeman):
  - 200 S 23rd Ave 582-4450
  - 2975 Max Ave 585-1235

## DISPOSAL OPTIONS FROM A-Z

### Acids

Very small amounts may be flushed down the drain followed by lots of water if you are serviced by a municipal wastewater treatment plant. Consider using a less hazardous product. Take unwanted product to the Story Mill Convenience Station.

### Adhesives, contact cement, roofing tar

Dispose of solids in the trash. If in liquid form, allow to harden and put in the trash or take to the Story Mill Convenience Station.

### Antifreeze

Take to the following locations in Bozeman or contact a local auto shop in your town.

- Bozeman City Shops Complex, 814 N. Bozeman Ave. (*Bozeman residents only, no businesses, 5 gallon limit/person*) Hours: 8 -5 M-F 582-3200
- Speedy Lube, 438 N. 7th Avenue 586-2303

### Asbestos

For a list of licensed contractors to make arrangements for collection, contact one of these agencies:

- MSU-Extension Service 994-3451
- Dept of Environmental Quality Air & Waste Management Bureau, Helena 444-3490

### Automotive batteries

These retailers will take your used battery for recycling and proper disposal with or without the purchase of a new one:

- O'Reilly Auto (Bozeman, Belgrade, Four Corners locations) 586-2378 (Bozeman store)
- NAPA Auto, 514 W Aspen, Bozeman 587-9212
- Checker, 200 S 23rd Ave, Bozeman 587-0984

Most retailers that sell batteries take used batteries for recycling when you purchase a new one. A discount of \$1-\$5 is usually applied to the purchase. Some of these retailers are listed below.

- Car Quest/Valley Motor Supply (Bozeman, Belgrade, and Three Forks locations)
- Wal-Mart, Bozeman 585-8642
- NAPA Auto (Bozeman, Belgrade) 587-9212
- O'Reilly Auto (Bozeman, Belgrade, Four Corners)